## North Hero School Board Meeting Tuesday, January 05, 2016 at North Hero School 6:00 p.m. in room 108

Minutes approved on

Andrew Julow

**Bridget Timms** 

Judith Wimble Jennifer Gariety

Dave Davis

In Attendance: School Board: Andrew Julow/Judith Wimble/Dave Davis/Jennifer Gariety

and Bridget Timms

Administration: Superintendent: Barbara Burrington

Director Student Service: Beth Hemmingway

Board Secretary: Jo-Ann Tier

Guest:

Corrin Julow

Shelly St. Hilaire Deb Bumgardner

Nicholas/Jen Kinney

Edita/Nathan Fiske

#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Andrew Julow at 6:05 P.M.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Andrew Julow.

#### ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Executive Session.... Secondary Enrollment .. BH ..... P.M. health benefits.... AJ

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR... December 01, 2015

Dave Davis made a motion to approve the minutes of December 01, 2015 as read. This motion was seconded by Jennifer Gariety.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

# COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

## **Bus Concerns**

Distributed to the Board was the bus schedule with times and a island map Indicating the stops with the times that was sent home to all families.

Parents shared their concerns for the new bus route... i.e.

- schedule does not work for one of the parents
- safety issues for the designated stops.. not acceptable by some families
- what happens if someone is not at the new stop for a pick-up?
- At the new designated stops... will the bus driver recognize some of the cars/people that would be at that location to pick someone up?
- Suggestion of dropping off the north-end students at the school and continuing on

- with the bus to pick-up the south-end students seeing that there is a concern of students being on the bus to long.
- Suggestion that the School Board/Administration use "Alert Now" to communicate this type of information to the parents.

Reviewed by the Board and Administration was...

- the meeting held on December 10, 2015 was attended by
   2 parents, chair of the North Hero School Board and Principal Resteghini.
- the attempt, by the School Board and Principal, to have students ride the bus for less time each day.
- the safety of the students and the well-being of our students is the number one priority
- Newsletters sent home in December referenced the conversations on the bus schedule change and why. Information appeared on the Front Porch Forum, The Islander, etc. Also a survey was sent home for family input

Discussion followed with the Board and families in attendance.

The North Hero School Board agreed to "roll back" to what the schedule was before the recent change in pick-up and drop-off locations to be effective on Monday, January 11, 2016.

It was in agreement with the families and the School Board that designated bus stops for the North Hero students will be re-visited prior to the 2016-2017 school year. Note: parents at this meeting agreed to help get parents to the meeting that will be scheduled.

Note: Bus schedule that was sent home to parents with changes was attached to the minutes given to the Town Clerk's Office.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Burrington reviewed her January 04, 2016 report..

#### Celebrations

VEHIPath-Wellness/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Jenny Perry, Folsom Principal and Eric Arnzen Grand Isle Principal

## • Curriculum/Assessment and Instruction

The December 7<sup>th</sup> in-service was a highlight..... a review took place

## • 3 Year Plan

Dr. Tina Boogrin from the Marzano Research Group, sponsored by Swift will be joining us to move us forward with our work prioritizing standard and developing proficiency scales. In January, she will spend two full days in the District. Days will be January 11<sup>th</sup> and January 15<sup>th</sup>

## **Integrated Field Review Pilot**

Educational Quality Review, by the Vermont Agency of Education will take place in the spring.

## Special Education

The Grand Isle School District will be looking for a Speech and Language Pathologist-CCC for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year.

## Child Count Data Reports

Data collected at the Supervisory Union Level

## Business Office

Still waiting for the draft audits from Angolano and Company.

Most of the information from the state has been received to begin our revenue side of the budget equation.

Food Service Bids for North Hero and Grand Isle .. one food service has made a bid. The portion of the NHSD deficit is yet to be decided. A meeting will be held on January  $6^{th}$ ... future agenda item for the Board

- The AOE will announce tuitions no later than January 15, 2016.
- David Crawford completed the first draft of the transportation bid for School buses for FY17-FY19... more information to follow

Note: a copy of the Superintendent's Report is attached to the minutes given the Town Clerk's Office.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

## **Data Project**

Kacie Aubin invited to the February Meeting to share reading and math data comparisons which highlight student growth over time.

#### 2016-2017

Bus transportation.... Separate the routes into two routes with a school drop-off at the school... a future agenda item.

## A Roll Fund for building concerns

Discussed with Lynn Carpenter... this is something that would have to be brought to a vote by the Board and one to be brought to the taxpayers for their approval.

## **Expenses shared with Isle LaMotte**

The StarBase and the Titus Mountain Ski Program are both experiences that we be shared with the Isle LaMotte School for payment.

Note... Principal's Report attached to the minutes given the Town Clerk's Office...

#### **BOARD DISCUSSION**

#### **Budget to Actuals**

The Board decided not to have this as a discussion this evening due to the length of agenda items.

## FY17 Budget

Chair Andrew reviewed with the Board .. Homestead and non-residential tax rates.

Discussion/decisions...

- Plant Manager salary
- Health Insurance will be discussed in Executive Session
- Carry over balance... \$14,878.00
- Bus cost will be a part of the GISU assessment
- Food Service line item.. a figure of \$7,000.00 to be inserted

## Under revenue....

- Day Care to appear as 0
- Board reviewed EEE/State aide, etc. Board asked that the GISU send documentation to them that they received from the State on revenue figures.

## Act 46 Update

Andrew briefly reviewed the December 15<sup>th</sup> meeting that was held at Grand Isle School..

- Survey results were reviewed
- Middle Level Education Options were reviewed by Superintendent Burrington and Mike Deweese..

Andrew complimented Superintendent Burrington for the excellent presentation that she did.

Island School Boards will be meeting with the public in their towns to review the goal to meet the requirements of the Act 46 law in a way that provides the best opportunities for all Grand Isle County students

## **BOARD ACTION**

## APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Discussion... reimbursement to Paige Benedict in the amount of \$500.00. This invoice was discussed at the December 01, 2015 meeting. The distribution code was not indicated by the School Board at that time.

This Invoice was returned to the Board for coding. A review took place with the distribution code of 2310-5580 assigned to this invoice by the Board.

Jennifer Gariety made a motion that the warrant in the amount of \$129,961.46 be approved for payment. This motion was seconded by Judith Wimble... hearing no further discussion this motion was carried 5-0.

## APPROVE TOWN REPORT SUBMISSION

Chair Andrew Julow will submit this report to the Town Clerk's Office.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED**

At 8:16 p.m. Dave Davis made a motion to recess this meeting and to go into Executive session for 1. "secondary student enrollment" information and 2. "health insurance". This was seconded by Jennifer Gariety... hearing no further discussion... this motion was carried 5-0.

Dave Davis made a motion to come out of Executive Session and to reconvene the meeting. This motion was seconded by Judith Wimble with no further discussion... this motion carried.

As a result of the Executive Session conversation:

1100-5210 - Instructional Group Health was adjusted to = \$45,834.27

1100-5561 - in-State Tuition was adjusted to \$ 480,440.00

1100-556 Tuition HS – In State Private adjusted to \$30,750

1100-5564 Tuition HS - Out of State Public/Private adjusted to \$0

## OTHER BOARD BUSINESS

Not at this meeting......

## AGENDA BUILDING

February Meeting...

Teacher Kacie Aubin (5/6) to share reading and math data comparisons

## **AJOURN**

Judith Wimble made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jennifer Gariety... no further discussion... motion carried 5-0. Time 9:07 p.m..

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo-Ann Tier